9. Sh. Davinder Kumar
10. V. Sham & Co
11. Sh. Arun Sehgal
12. Sh. Banwari Lal Jain
13. Sh. B. L. Jain, Meerut
14. Sh. P. L. Jain, Meerut

During the course of these searches, *prima facie* unaccounted assets worth Rs. 77.51 lakhs were seized.

(c) There is no proposal to cancel the licenses on the basis of the searches from the Income Tax Department.

**Raid by DRI on Indian Express**

788. SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a raid was conducted at the premises of the Indian Express (Madurai) Private Limited by the Directorate of Revenue Intelligence and by the Collector of Customs (Airport) on 11th January, 1988;

(b) if so, whether the Collector of Customs (Airport) has issued a show cause notice to the Company; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

**Show cause notices issued by the Directorate of Enforcement**

789. SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number show-cause notices issued by the Directorate of Enforcement during 1987 (January-December) to companies for the violation of FERA, excise and other financial irregularities;

(b) what is the number of adjudication proceedings held during the year 1987;

(c) what is the number of adjudication proceedings pending as on 31st December, 1987; and

(d) what are the names of those companies which have been prosecuted during the year 1987 and the amount recovered?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) to (d) During the period from January to December, 1987, the Directorate of Enforcement had initiated adjudication proceedings by issue of Show Cause Notices in 562 cases for violation of the provisions of the FERA. Out of these, 199 cases were adjudicated leaving a pendency of 363 cases. During the same period, no company was prosecuted.

**P.M.'s Lakshdweep visit**

790. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY:
SHRI T. R. VALU:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Prime Minister alongwith five Central Ministers and many senior officials of the Government of India visited Lakshdweep in the last week of December, 1987;

(b) if so, what was the purpose of such a visit; and

(c) what is the total expenditure incurred by Government on this visit?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI) (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A meeting of the Island Development Authority was held on December 28 and 29, 1987.

(c) Information is being collected.

**P.M.'s Visit to Lakshdweep**

791. SHRI N. E. BALARAM:
SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Prime Minister had spent some days in Lakshdweep islands recently;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard;

(c) whether it is a fact that a number of foreign nationals had joined him there;

(d) if so, what are the names and other details of these foreign nationals;

(e) who had invited them; and

(f) how their expenses were financed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI): (a) and (b) The Prime Minister visited Lakshadweep from 20.12.87 to 6. 1. 1988. On December 29, the Prime Minister visited Minicoy and Kavaratti and presided over the meeting of the Islands Development Authority in Kavaratti. On January 6, he visited Amini and Kadmat for official functions. From 30th December 1987 to the forenoon of 6th January, 1988 he was on a private holiday in Bangaram island.

(c) to (f) Since these pertain to a private visit the question of any dearth connected therewith does not arise.

**Review of Lottery Policy**

792. SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken any decision to review the policy relating to conducting of lotteries in view of the growing craze for overnight wealth and consequent erosion in values in society; and

(b) if so, what stand Government propose to take in view of this social menace?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI): (a) and (b) Comprehensive guidelines have been issued to all States/Union Territories with a view to regulating the conduct of lotteries and to check malpractices. A copy of the same was laid on the Table of the House on 10-3-1987.

Private lotteries come under the purview of the State Governments.

**Persons killed by Insurgents is Tripura**

793. SHRI KALPNATH RAI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons killed and injured during the last six months by insurgents in Tripura; and

(b) the steps being taken to curb insurgency in Tripura?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) During the last six months (from 21.8.87 to 20.2.88) 151 persons have been killed and 57 injured by T.N.V.